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Sri V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" May I know the total acreage under cashewnut in the district of South Arcot and whether any application has been received by the Government from cashewnut growers in that district for help and encouragement? "

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, there was a total of 24,145 acres under cashewnut in 1953–54. About 1,720 tons of cashewnut were produced in 1953–54. I have no information whether any applications of the sort referred to by the hon. Member have been received."

Sri S. DAIVASIGAMONEY :—" May I know whether cashewnut is being exported from our State or whether it is being imported into our State from other States? "

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I would like to have notice."

Mr. SPEAKER :—" Questions Nos. 438 to 442 relate to the same subject. I hope the House will have no objection to the Hon. Minister replying to all the questions together."

Police firing at Naduvattam, Malabar.

* 438 *Q.*—Sri K. M. SEETHI SAHIB : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) why the Government have not yet published the report of Mr. Sattianathan on the recent police firing at Naduvattam in the Malabar district; and

(*b*) when it is likely to be published?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) & (*b*) As the matter covered by the report is *sub-judice* in the Court of Session, South Malabar Division, the report cannot be placed on the table of the House."

* 439 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have decided to publish the Naduvattam Shooting Enquiry Committee's report?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to starred question No. 438."

* 440 *Q.*—Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) what action the Government have taken or propose to take on the report on the shooting incident at Naduvattam in Malabar district; and